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For the attention of  
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Dear Mr Sheikh,

**Application No 09/881,117 Richard Gardner**  
**Remote Authentication for secure system access and payment systems**

Would you kindly let me know the current position on the above Patent Application, first published as US2002-0013904 on January 31<sup>st</sup> 2002. I have not had the results of any Search and would like the opportunity to amend the application in line with the British application GB 2345175 on which it was based and which has now been granted.

This letter is being posted as well as emailed as I am getting very concerned about the position and in case the email does not reach you: if not already done, please email your reply to -

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Yours truly

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